

MAY HOLD JAPAN ONLY 6 MONTHS

Chungking Radio Says Crown Prince To Rule

WASHINGTON—Emperor Hirohito, spiritual symbol of Japan long used as a "front" for the militarists, has abdicated the throne, Chungking Radio reported. In a broadcast monitored by the Federal Communications Commission, Chungking said the Mikado would be succeeded by Crown Prince Akihito. Hirohito's order which increased Gen. MacArthur's power over the Japanese was the last major action taken by the Emperor before he reportedly stepped down in favor of a regency for his son.

The action undoubtedly came as a surprise to Japanese, although Washington diplomatic circles had seen it coming. Only this week Prince Fumimaro Konoye, former premier and a member of the Japanese royal family, declared there is "absolutely nothing" to indicate Hirohito would abdicate. His abdication, the Prince asserted, would be disastrous for Japan, since without the Emperor as a symbol, rival factions would disrupt public life.

Gen. MacArthur undoubtedly felt that the Emperor had fulfilled all his obligations under the Allied surrender terms, and the Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers may be attempted by rival Japanese groups.

Jobless Pay Extended To Twenty-six Weeks

WASHINGTON (ANS) — The Senate has given final approval to a program for emergency jobless pay under which the Government would extend the duration of State payments to 25 weeks.

GIs Get Seniority In Job Application

WASHINGTON (ANS)—Selective Service decreed that veterans with re-employment rights cannot be required to join a union to get their jobs back.

The agency told local draft boards that during the year in which a veteran is guaranteed his old job, his rights take precedence over any system of seniority.

In a policy statement likely to intensify controversies over closed shop and so-called "super-seniority," the agency held that "union membership or other conditions not enumerated in the law may not be required of a veteran as a prerequisite to his reinstatement."

This marks the first time Selective Service has publicly identified the reason why a provision of law the policy had been in effect for sometime. The Draft Act says an honorably discharged veteran able to perform his old job must be reinstated for at least one year, either to his old position or to one of a like seniority status and pay.

Dumping Poison Gas

LONDON (ANS)—Britain's supply of poison gas, held in reserve for retaliation against Germany if necessary, is being dumped into the sea west of Scotland.

Planned 4,180-Mile Trip On 3-Day Pass

HAMILTON FIELD, Cal. (ANS)—Pfc. Richard Stilson of North Sanford, N.Y., stationed at Hickam Field, Hawaii, got a three-day pass and decided to fly to the States and visit his girl friend, a civilian employee at Mather Field, Sacramento.

He boarded a home-bound transport plane at Hickam Field under the guise of an assistant flight engineer, but the pilot found out during the flight that he had an unauthorized passenger, and the MP's greeted Stilson here.

Stilson said he had planned to fly back to Hawaii, completing a roundtrip of 4,180 miles, before his pass was up.

Acheson Rebuked In Senate Debate

WASHINGTON (ANS)—In a hot Senate debate, two Senators delayed action on Dean Acheson's nomination to be Under-Secretary of State on the ground that he had "insulted" Gen. MacArthur.

Senators Kenneth Wherry and Albert Chandler supported the nomination with the State Department over occupation policies in Japan.

Acheson shot back that the occupation policy was being determined in Washington, not in the field.

Wherry told the Senate that Acheson, as acting Secretary of State, had "blighted the name" of MacArthur. Chandler said the commander had been "insulted."

In Topeka, Kans., meanwhile, Alf Landon, 1936 Presidential candidate, also took issue with Acheson. MacArthur, he maintained, was the best judge of the size of the occupation force needed. He charged that the administration, rather than the military, was responsible for the slow demobilization of "our citizen army."

Nippon Finished As A Strong Power--Doug

American occupation forces may stay in Japan only six months because "Japan is through forever as a military power," Gen. MacArthur was quoted as saying. His startling remark fed new fuel to the controversy embroiling Capitol Hill, where Dean Acheson and his State Department faced critical barrages from supporters of MacArthur and countered with announcement that America's policy toward Japan will be carried out regardless of the Supreme Commander's plans for reducing the army of occupation.

Atom Bomb Didn't End War--LeMay

WASHINGTON (AP)—Maj. Gen. Curtis LeMay who directed the Superfortress attacks on Japan, declared that "the atomic bomb had nothing to do with the end of the war at all."

"The war would have been over in two weeks without the Russians coming in and without the atomic bomb," he said.

LeMay said he could not disclose how he knew for certain that the Japanese were defeated and trying to quit. He conceded that the atomic bomb helped the Emperor convince the military that the war was over.

Asked whether Japan could have been beaten solely by air power, he replied: "That is what we did."

His reply was echoed by Lt. Gen. Ernest O'Donnell.

Giles said Japan should be occupied for 100 years. He said that if occupational forces moved from Japan too soon, there would be trouble from 3,000,000 trained soldiers in Japan who never fired a shot in the war.

The three Generals said that the successor to the B-29—a plane now being built—could bomb Europe from the United States and return to base.

Even the "already obsolescent" B-29 could fly to Europe and back, said O'Donnell.

Ted Dealey, one of the American publishers who witnessed the Japanese surrender, quoted MacArthur as saying that the occupation army would have to stay in Japan only "six months if we handle the Japanese right — and by that I mean that if we are not too ruthless." Dealey, in a signed article in the Dallas, Tex., Morning News, said he and seven other publishers present at the interview were astonished and asked the Supreme Commander: "If we do move out of Japan within the next six months, what is to prevent the Japanese from starting to build for another war 25 years from now?"

"SIX THINGS" MacArthur replied: "So that the Japanese will have a hard enough time eating the next 25 years, much less having the leisure and material to build up for another war. Japan is through forever as a military power."

In an interview with Hugh Baillie, United Press president, MacArthur reiterated that "Japan will never again become a world power" and said that Nippon "industrially, commercially, militarily and in every other way, is in a complete state of collapse."

Japan's punishment, MacArthur declared, "will be long and bitter." Jap war criminals will be brought to trial soon, he said, the Jap army will be abolished by Oct. 15, and all Japanese war plants that have survived will be destroyed. This winter, he added, Japan can expect no food, clothing or supplies from the Allies.

Maintenance of the Emperor during disarmament proceedings resulted in "untold saving of American lives," MacArthur said, adding that "I am sure it will take many years to fulfill the terms of surrender." MacArthur did not indicate to Baillie whether it would be necessary to keep American troops in Japan during those "many years" when the surrender terms are being fulfilled.

CONFERENCE DUE As the State Department revealed (Continued on Page 4)

Demobilization Plan Cheered, Criticized

WASHINGTON (ANS) — Gen. George C. Marshall's announcement that the discharge point system will be discarded late this winter brought both cheers and criticism from Capitol Hill, where legislators are torn between their desires for speedy demobilization and an efficient policing of conquered nations. "This whole business of releasing soldiers is in a terrible confusion and way behind where it should be," Sen. Kenneth Wherry (R., Neb.) told the Senate after Marshall's appearance before both chambers. "The time has come when Congress ought to have something to say about the size of this Army."

Sen. Ernest MacFarland (D., Ariz.) countered that he was "just as anxious as anyone to see our boys come home, but first I want the Japs to be made to realize they are a conquered nation."

Marshall, the Army's chief of staff, had told Congress that the point system will be abolished by late winter and that in the meantime it plans reduction of point totals required for discharge to 70 on Oct. 1 and 60 on Nov. 1.

When the Army reaches the point where it can eliminate the present system, two years of service will qualify a man for discharge wherever he is.

"They will be able to walk up and get a discharge," Marshall said.

NEW SCORES Maj.-Gen. Stephen G. Henry, chief of Army personnel, who also addressed the meeting of more than 400 members of Congress, disclosed that the discharge score of all officers, except doctors, will be lowered to 75 on Oct. 1. The discharge point for WACs, he said, will be cut from 41 to 36 on Oct. 1 and to 34 on Nov. 1. WAC officers score will drop to 30 on Oct. 1.

Marshall said an additional 2,000,000 would be returned to civilian life with the lowering of point totals in October and November.

In addition to point changes, Marshall said, the Army will soon begin releasing men in the United States for whom useful work cannot be found. A beginning of the release of men in the States will come in about four weeks, he said, adding "if we released them right now, they would get in the way of high-point combat men."

Separation center facilities will become adequate in about four weeks to handle both overseas and United States discharges, Marshall said.

The War Department, he revealed, has received official notice from (Continued on Page 2)

Peacetime Draft Up To Volunteers

WASHINGTON (ANS)—Success or failure of the Army and Navy recruitment campaign will determine the fate of compulsory peacetime military training legislation, according to Capitol Hill sources quoted by Associated Press.

If the enlistment campaign—to be launched in earnest as soon as the Senate acts on the recruitment bill passed by the House—can produce an estimated 1,500,000 men, including men already serving, it is almost certain there will be no universal training act now, AP said.

But if it falls short of Congressional expectations, the lawmakers either will have to pare down present estimates of how big the post-war Army and Navy will be, or face the alternative of a peacetime draft. Right now, AP said, the peacetime draft plan has only lukewarm backing in Congress.



USS BARATOGA COMES HOME—The grand old lady of the Pacific fleet—the USS Baratoza, largest aircraft carrier operating with the US Navy in the Pacific, slips through the Golden Gate in San Francisco with her flight deck jammed with cheering Navy veterans of the Pacific war zone homeward bound. (AP Wirephoto).

Senate Finance Chief Urges Vets Get Tax Exemptions

WASHINGTON (ANS) — Sen. Walter George (D Ga.) has advocated preferential tax treatment for veterans the first year or two after their discharge.

The finance committee chairman said an extra income tax exemption would help them get on their feet financially and compete with people who held civilian wartime jobs.

George suggested it would be "reasonably adequate and fair" to extend for 12 or 24 months the extra \$1,500 service exemption on Army or Navy pay but he would make it apply to income from any source.

"I don't know exactly what will be done when we get into the tax bill," he said. "However, we probably will consider servicemen and women for some time after the war as a special class of taxpayers."

Under his proposal veterans could add the \$1,500 to the regular exemption allowed all taxpayers. At present some for the taxpayer and each dependent.

Perhaps there should be additional credit for men who spent a substantial amount of time overseas," he added. "That question will be studied too."

Certainly, he said, the law should be amended so that men mustered out will not have to prepare income tax returns for their war years when they owe no taxes.

That kind of thing, just piles up papers and does the Government no good and causes terrible annoyance to men who have been cranking in foxholes out in the Pacific with no time to attend to their personal problems," he said.

Practically all legislation affecting veterans passes through the Finance Committee. George announced that probably late next week and certainly within a fortnight, the veterans sub-committee will begin consideration of proposed changes in the GI Bill of Rights. The principal pressure is for liberalization of the loan and education provisions.

Vet Tries To Sign For Draft

PHILADELPHIA (ANS) — Pvt. John Fare, who served in the Army almost four years, entered draft board headquarters to register for military service.

Noting his uniform, his European Theater Ribbon with three battle stars and his combat infantryman's badge, the clerk asked why he wanted to register.

"Well, I was 18 on March 12," the youth replied. "When you become 18 you have to register, don't you?"

Fare, discharged last Monday, had bluffed his age to enter the service in 1941.

US Can't Rule Self, Should Quit Japan, Says G. B. Shaw

LE HAVRE, (AP) — American forces should evacuate Japan to insure world peace and threaten her with atomic bombs if she does not behave, George Bernard Shaw, patriarchal dramatist and political stormy petrel, told a young American Army camp editor who outlined veteran newspapermen by getting the "interview that could not be gotten."

"Fitting on a country with a pistol in hand will only waste young peoples' lives away," the 89-year old Shaw told 21-year old Pvt. Roland, H. Wolpert, who saw the dean of the English dramatists while on furlough in England.

The Irish-born playwright compared Gen. MacArthur's occupation of Japan with the English policy after the Irish rebellion and said: "We shall never have peace unless we respect peoples and countries as equals."

Sharp-tongued as ever, Shaw said: "America cannot even govern herself — how can she hope to govern other nations?"

He added: "Even Pres. Roosevelt was a gentleman amateur."

"Of course there will be another war," he said, "All factors that caused this war still remain. But not right away. We are all thoroughly bankrupt at present."

The story of Wolpert's interview makes as good an item as the interview itself. Determined to get an interview with Shaw, who has a reputation for savagery toward the press, Wolpert went to Shaw's isolated country home by himself. He walked in a side door and stumbled on Shaw taking an afternoon nap. Shaw awoke and chatted with him for half an hour before suddenly asking, "How did you get in here, anyway?"

When Wolpert explained, Shaw desisted and then laughed.

"Well," he said, "You have crashed the gate. Congratulations."

Ask U-Boat Chief If He Carried Hitler

PUEBLO, N.Y. (ANS) — A 24-year-old German U-boat commander who told how he and his crew members stole their craft and tried to escape to Argentina when Germany surrendered has been handed over to US authorities for questioning as to whether the submarine carried any important Nazi officials including Admiral Hitler to South America.

Big 5 Parley Seems Headed For Spill

LONDON (AP) — Russia and the western democracies appeared to be on the verge of a big split today as the Big Five conference of foreign ministers drew to a close with Europe's peace settlements still undecided.

After 11 days of deliberations in a growing atmosphere of secrecy demanded by Soviet foreign minister V. M. Molotov, America, Russia, Britain, France and China still have not agreed on a single major issue.

The meetings, at which Balkan peace treaties were discussed on a technical level, leaving untouched the political controversies on which the Anglo-Americans and the Russians disagree, have produced many table-pounding clashes between Molotov and the British delegate, Ernest Bevin.

There is nothing concrete to indicate that there has been a complete breakdown yet, but the chances of this are not outside honest speculation.

Indications mounted that the World War II peace settlement was becoming increasingly a question of the extent of Russian control in Europe versus the extent of American control in the Pacific.

The British press seized upon the hint dropped by Molotov that Russia was unwilling to give up its demands for Mediterranean colonies so long as America wields exclusive control of the mandated Pacific islands.

The Chinese delegate, Wang Shin Chieh, meanwhile declared that China would seize Japanese industrial plants in China and Manchuria for reparations.

Marooned Nine Months

NAIRBARSSUAK, Greenland (ANS) — Two rescue ships have cracked through a pack of ice along Greenland's coast and contacted 11 American soldiers marooned there since a snowslide wrecked their isolated weather station nearly nine months ago.

Concels GI Debts

CHICAGO (ANS) — All debts owed by servicemen to the J & R Motor Supply Company have been cancelled, the firm announced. Thousands of dollars are owed the firm by servicemen in Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska and Wisconsin, but the company's vice-president explained that "this is the least we can do for them."

4,800,000 FOUR-Fs

WASHINGTON (ANS) — Maj.-Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service chief, disclosed that of 4,800,000 men turned down for military service, 1,707,000 rejections were attributable to mental ailments or deficiencies.



YANKS RUN INTO TROUBLE WITH JAP AUTO — Members of the US 11th Airborne Division have trouble trying to keep operating the tiny Jap auto provided for their transportation in Yokohama. (AP Wirephoto)

Stuck Her Neck Out



GIRL TRAPPED BY ELEVATOR DOOR — Virginia Triplett, of St. Paul, Minn., 17-year-old elevator operator caught between the cage doors when the doors accidentally closed, watches while rescuers pry doors apart until another workman could climb through an escape door in the top of the elevator to reach controls to free her. She was uninjured. (AP Wirephoto)

Luzon Joy Ride Captured, GIs Have Tough Time Proving War's Over

MANILA (ANS) — A couple of GIs went out for a Sunday boat ride in northern Luzon a month after the war ended, got lost, were captured by the Japanese and threatened with execution.

They were Oscar F. Carroll, Birmingham, Ala., and Thomas H. Parkinson, Los Angeles, Cal., members of the veteran 37th Infantry.

Leisurely paddling a small infantry assault boat, they drifted farther than they had thought, and soon realized they were completely lost.

Hours later, they saw a group of men and shouted for help. Struggling ashore, they found the men were members of a Japanese lost battalion.

Well armed and healthy, the Japanese laughed heartily at the Americans' protestations that the war was over. They were hustled into battalion headquarters, where they discovered Japanese officers also had not heard of Japan's surrender.

An interpreter who said he had been a business man in Manila before the war told the Americans the Japanese were greatly amused at their stupidity in joy-riding into enemy hands.

The interpreter finally convinced the Japanese commander that Carroll and Parkinson might be right about the war's end. He obtained permission to guide them back to their camp and they were released.

Two days later the two Americans and their guide struggled into a 37th Division outpost.

There still is no word whether the lost battalion of Japanese is still fighting the war.

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Developing Defense Against Atom Bomb

LONDON (AP) — Counter-weapons against the atomic bomb have been developed by American and British scientists, the London Daily Express said.

Anti-atomic bomb weapons already are in advanced stage of development, said the paper. The principles of British radar, German rockets and American fuses are being combined to make projectiles capable of destroying atom bomb-carrying planes or rockets at great heights.

These weapons were developed on the principle of destroying the mechanism of the atomic rockets or bombs before the bombs exploded in mid-air, the Express explained.

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Foreign Credits May Be Gigantic

WASHINGTON — Anglo-American economic talks have moved because of presentation of financing financial data and American investigation to what will be called the "big credit" talks will discuss before the US offers specific financial aid.

The Wall Street Journal said the discussions show signs of blossoming into a gigantic foreign credit program that would create a huge dollar pool in one of several suggestions which the Treasury and State Department have under consideration.

Under this plan Congress would be asked \$5,000,000,000 to \$6,000,000,000 a year for three years, which would be added to foreign credits by France, Turkey, the president's authority to advance credits would be widely discretionary and an attempt would be made to promote conditions.

The sponsors of this scheme acknowledge that its objectives are more than mere dollars aid. They want to make certain of a tremendous export market for US goods which in turn is necessary if full employment is to be maintained in the United States.

The proposal, like many others under consideration, also involves a general writing down of external debts incurred during the war, which would particularly apply to Britain.

It is estimated that of around \$20,000,000,000 available, \$4,000,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000 would go to the United Kingdom, \$5,000,000,000 to \$6,000,000,000 to Russia and the rest to France, China and smaller countries.

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Yanks Push Nats Out Of Pennant Race

Sweep Two-Game Series To Kill Senators' Chances

New York Yankee sluggers vaporized the Washington Senators' pennant hopes Thursday and Friday by making a clean sweep of a two-game series with the determined but faltering second place Nats, 5-3 and 6-1. When the Nats could least afford such treatment, Nick Etten and George Strunweiss slammed out a home run apiece in the second game to deliver the all but final blow to Washington's series aspirations.

In the National league, Chicago continued to occupy top billing although a 2-0 defeat at the hands of the St. Louis Cardinals plus a 3-4 Cardinal win over the Cubs the following day saved the Cubs lead to a game and a half.

Unless baseball produces something akin to the atom bomb, it appears more than likely today that the Tigers will bat it out with Chicago for diamond honors in baseball's classic next month.

The decisive moment during Friday's Yankee-Senator battle came in the third stanza when, with the score tied at three all, Strunweiss connected for the circuit to give the New Yorkers the winning run. The fifth Yank tally came in the seventh when Strunweiss singled, took second on a sacrifice and safely made it across home plate on a single by Etten.

Harry Brecheen's six hitter enabled the Cards to blank the Cubs 2-0 and also gave St. Louis its 15th victory out of 20 tries against the league leaders. The Cards 3-4 triumph over the Reds came during a night game at St. Louis when Red Barrett, although reached for a dozen hits, was able to come out on top, thanks to a 17-run attack on Ed Heusser and Vernon Kennedy.

Ram washed out the Pittsburgh-Chicago game, thus delaying additional decisive National league chances.

The Giants were able to carve out 3-2 win over the Braves Friday, helped along by two unearned runs and a ninth inning homer by Dan Gardella. An error by Tommy Nelson paved the way for the first two Giant runs. The Beantowners scored on homers by Bill Ramsey and Chuck Workman.

Philadelphia, Friday, was able to boast of its second victory over the Pirates in a series out of 18 times this season.

Earley, Walmsley Off Navy Team For Season

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (ANS) — Navy's high-geared backfield suffered a serious blow when it became known that George Walmsley, speedy halfback from Rice Institute, and fullback Red Earley, both of last year's team, were out for the season.

Walmsley, from Baytown, Tex., has suffered considerably from an old ear injury and on the advice of Navy doctors turned in his uniform.

Earley, from Parkersburg, W. Va., who played with Notre Dame two seasons ago, has been compelled to quit the team.

RAF's Ward Leads British PGA Match

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (ANS) — Corp. Lloyd Mangrum of Los Angeles, the United States Army's ETO golf champion, and two other American soldiers were among 50 players who qualified for the finals of the 72-hole British PGA tournament here with 36-hole scores of 158 or better.

Mangrum matched par with a neat 73 over the heavily trapped course which gave him an aggregate of 150 at the halfway mark and placed him in a four-way tie for third. His score of four over par left him only three strokes behind Charlie Ward, RAF corporal, who shot a 74 Thursday to retain the tournament lead with 147.

Other US contenders are Lt. Mat Kowal, Philadelphia, whose 79 Thursday gave him 154 for two rounds, and Corp. Eddie Nowak, Los Angeles, who just barely squeezed through with 158 on the strength of a good 77 round Thursday.

NEW PHILLIE HURLERS

PHILADELPHIA (ANS) — The Phillies announced the purchase of two right-hand pitchers, George Etcock and George Copeland. Etcock, 26, is from the Wilmington, Del., Interstate league club while Copeland is from the Utica Eastern league team.

Grid Coach Now Shoe Scout, Too

DES MOINES (ANS) — V. Green Drake University grid coach is finding out that this year football is a game played with the feet.

Green first ran into the fact when he tried to find some size 14 shoes for Henry Klewer, Audubon Ia. grinder. He finally bought a pair.

Now Green has feet trouble again. This time he has to find a pair of size 16AAA shoes for six-foot eight inch John Pritchard of Minneapolis.

Parker, Flamm Lead Coast Tennis Meet

LOS ANGELES (ANS) — Sgt. Frankie Parker, national titleholder and defending champion, and Herbert Flamm, Beverly Hills schoolboy sensation, entered the mens singles finals Saturday with smashing straight set victories in the semi-finals of the Southwest Tennis tournament.

The methodical-stroking Parker breezed through a match with Francis X. Shields, former Davis cupper, 6-1, 6-3.

Flamm, 16-year old national junior champ, outstayed Carl Earn, Navy cook from Los Angeles, 6-4, 6-4.

Margaret Osborne, San Francisco, will meet Louise Brough, Beverly Hills, in the womens finals. Miss Brough defeated Gertrude Moran, Santa Monica, 6-3, 6-0 in the semi-finals and Miss Osborne won from Dorothy Rundy, also of Santa Monica, 6-2, 6-4.

Predicts 400 mph Auto Speed Mark

SALT LAKE CITY (ANS) — A British automobile designer, Reida Railton, predicted that a speed of 400 miles an hour would be set on the Bonneville Salt Flats within two years after auto racing is resumed on the natural course 125 miles west of Salt Lake City.

At the same time Ab Jenkins, holder of most of the existing world automobile speed records for distances greater than ten miles, said he expected to try next Spring to boost his marks. Jenkins record of 182.649 miles an hour for 200 miles was established in 1940.

The present mark of 268.9 miles an hour for a measured mile was set on Bonneville course in 1939 by John R. Cobb of London. Railton, who designed Cobb's car, said the British driver planned to return to Bonneville. Railton expects to help Cobb re-ramp his car, the Railton Red Lion.

The designer, here for vacation, predicted there would be little change in racing automobiles in the immediate future.

Byron Nelson Paces Esmeralda Tournament

EPOKANE, Wash. (ANS) — Byron Nelson of Tulsa calmly ignored a driving rain at the Indian Canyon course Friday and posted his second straight 66 in the \$10,000 Esmeralda Open tournament.

Hot on the trail of the king of golf and his 12 under par 132 were Jack Gage of San Bernardino, Cal., and Ben Hogan of Hershey, Pa. Hogan matched Nelson's with 136. Hogan and Gage, new to professional ranks, collected 67.

In fourth spot with 70, 68 and 138 was Harold Jug McSpaden. Fred Wood of Vancouver clubbed 69 for a total of 139. Sammy Snead continued to have putter trouble and took seven on one hole to post 73, 73 and 146.

NEW BROWN COACH

PROVIDENCE (ANS) — Johnny McIntyre, former Notre Dame grid star and much decorated Navy flyer, has been added to the Brown coaching staff. He is awaiting discharge.

PENNANT BOUND by PAP



FOOTBALL RESULTS

Duke 10, S. Carolina 0
Indiana 13, Michigan 7
Miss 34, Missouri 0
Purdue 14, Marquette 13
Ill. 23, Pittsburgh 9
G. Lakes 0, Wis. 0
Cornell 26, Syracuse 14
Villanova 19, Bucknell 7
St. Marys 20, Cal. 13
N. Western 12, Iowa State 6
S. Meth. 51, Blackland AAF 0
Baldwin Wallace 21, Case 6
Texas 13, Bergstrom AAF 7
Tex. Agric. 54, Ellington AAF 0
Va. 39, Coast Guard Acad. 0
Oberlin 33, O. Wesleyan 0
Frank-Merch 7, Ursinus 0
Swarthmore 28, Muhlenberg 8
Georgia 49, Murray State 7
Wichita 0, Michigan 0
Rensselaer 39, Worcester T. 0
Ia. State 12-0, Iowa Cent. 14
VMI 27, Emory Henry 0
1st AP 7, ATC 7
Okla. 21, Hondo AAF 6
Franklin 60, Colo. 0
Clemson 76, Presbyterian 0

AAF Football Team To Play 34 Games

WASHINGTON (ANS) — The Army Air Forces has announced an 84 game schedule for its seven major command football teams and predicted that servicemen attendance this season will be greater than the near million mark reached last year.

Col. Donald G. Storck, in charge of the AAF athletic program, said that three additional teams will be represented this year. All games have been arranged as close to Air Force bases as possible, he said, and wounded veterans in nearby cities will be transported to games by the AAF.

Storck said that each team would be limited to 12 games. The season will close December 9 instead of a week earlier as previously announced so that all teams may play each other. All profits will go to Army charities and no post-season games will be scheduled without AAF permission.

NO SEATS LEFT FOR NOTRE DAME-NAVY GAME

CLEVELAND (ANS) — Walter Kennedy, athletic publicity director for Notre Dame, announced that all seats have been sold out for the Notre Dame-Navy football game to be played in the Cleveland Municipal stadium on November 3.

Babe Herman Quits; Suffered Knee Injury

BROOKLYN (ANS) — Babe Herman, colorful Dodger outfielder of the past who made a comeback as a pinch-hitter this year, has left the club and is on his way to his Glendale, Cal., home. Herman suffered a badly bruised knee and is unable to carry on his pinch-hitting activities.

He made nine hits in 54 tries this year and batted in nine runs.

Dick Tracy

Courtesy of News-Tribune Syndicate



Terry And The Pirates

Courtesy of News-Tribune Syndicate

—By Milton Caniff



Blondie

Courtesy of King Features, Inc.

—By Chick Young



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NY High School Coaches Strike

NEW YORK (ANS) — Approximately 40 high schools and more than 4,000 schoolboy athletes are affected by a strike which started last Friday in all New York city public high schools.

One hundred and forty eight members of the High School Coaches' association decided by an overwhelming majority to strike after failure to get pay for their extra work coaching. All coaches are regular health and education teachers and while they have halted their athletic duties, they will continue in their class-room jobs.

9 Year Old Girl Outbowl's Champ

MILWAUKEE (ANS) — There's no telling what an American youngster will do next. Hank Marino, four times world's match bowling champion, was beaten last Saturday night by nine-year-old Miss Twinkle Watts who parked her hook into the one-three pocket for a total of 591 in an exhibition series.

Miss Watts, of Hollywood and a skater in an ice show, rolled games of 215, 220 and 156 while Marino bowled 123, 200 and 203 for a total of 577. The youngster used a ten and a half pound ball and her average is 170.

AUSSIES WILL DEFEND DAVIS CUP NEXT YEAR

MELBOURNE (ANS) — Australia will welcome a challenge for the Davis Cup by America or any other nation next year, but acceptance depends upon the condition on the best Aussie players, it was revealed.

The Australian Lawn Tennis Association cabled American net officials that a United States challenge would be welcomed. However, it was pointed out by A. H. Barratough, association secretary, that Australia, as holder of the cup, was liable to receive challenges from any contenders. "It is up to them to challenge and to us to accept," he said.

STUD FOR HOOP, JR.

LEXINGTON, Ky.—(AP)—Hoop, Jr., winner of the 1945 Kentucky Derby and one section of the Wood Memorial, will enter stud for the 1946 season at Dr. Charles E. Hagyard's Greenridge Farm here. The fee for a live foal, payable Aug. 1, 1946, will be \$500.

—By Chester Gould

23rd Fighter Group Gets Award For Hengyang Fight

LUICHOW—The 23rd Fighter Group of the 14th Air Force, which has carried on the heritage of the famous Flying Tigers in China since July, 1942, has been awarded a Distinguished Unit Citation for the group's efforts in the battle of Hengyang.

With the Japanese sending some 70,000 crack troops toward the important American air base, the 23rd threw its total effort in an attempt to curb the enemy drive, which was ripping apart what defense ill-equipped Chinese ground forces could muster in the sector.

During the eight days from June 17 to 25, 1944, adverse weather failed to keep Mustangs of the group's four squadrons on the ground. From dawn until after dark, pilots flew in the tunnels of overcast valleys to strike at the advancing enemy.

Group pilots flew 538 sorties, hitting hard at enemy spearheads are killing almost 2,000 Japanese troops. Striking at supply lines immediately behind the front lines, they destroyed and damaged more than 800 small boats and sank 13 large steamers. The Japanese rushed five heavily-armed gunboats into the area to protect their badly needed water supply route. Three of these gunboats were sunk and the other two were put out of commission.

The Japanese gained Hengyang, but the cost inflicted in this lone, gallant stand by the 23rd Fighter Group, despite bad weather and a ground defense that failed to develop, was too great for the enemy to sustain and proved a major factor in finally halting the central China drive and turning the enemy advance into retreat, the citation said.

The 23rd Fighter Group, activated at Kunming on July 4, 1942.



Correction
The Inquiring Line stated recently that a Wac could not be discharged to marry a soldier after his discharge. This is incorrect. A Wac may be separated to marry a veteran of the armed forces who served any time since Sept. 16, 1940.

Q. My daughter just reached 18, and, as I understand it, is no longer eligible for an allotment. Is this right? Should I notify the government?

A. Your daughter ceased being a Class A dependent on her 18th birthday and is no longer eligible to receive that allotment. Better report the matter to your orderly room; sooner or later the ODB will catch up and you'll have to refund the overpayment.

Q. I would like to be an embalmers after the war. Can I study this subject under the GI Bill of Rights?

A. Yes, provided you go to an approved school and are eligible for benefits under the GI Bill.

Q. Can I make my fiancée the beneficiary of my insurance?

A. No. Only wives, children, parents, brothers, and sisters may be designated as beneficiaries.

The Wolf

by Sansone



Mrs. Waiting In Black Nightie

ATLANTA (ANS)—Homebound GIs can look forward to seeing the little woman in an alluring black night gown—or maybe a blue one.

At least that's what Atlanta lingerie buyers report. They say there's hardly a blue or black nightgown left in Atlanta because of a terrific invasion of their departments that coincided with news of returning troops.

They say the wives aren't even being coy about it. They openly admit they're discarding the long-sleeved pajamas they've slept in for the duration and want "the most alluring nightgown I can find."

They're regarding his homecoming as sort of a second honeymoon—only they aren't going in for demure white and pastels as they did by tradition for that other trousseau.

As for the current trend favoring black, Mrs. Maxie Meadows, assistant buyer of a large Atlanta department store, says she believes it stems from the expressed desires of the men themselves.

has established a record of doing the most with the least at the last stop on the war's longest supply line, group pilots shot down 621 enemy planes, destroyed 317 on the ground and probably destroyed and damaged several hundred more.

May Hold Japan 6 Months . . .

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its decision for a social and economic revolution in Japan and emphasized that it would be carried out regardless of what MacArthur said about reduction of the occupation army. Associated Press reported that special emissary may soon be sent from Washington to confer with the Allied commander on the enforcement of long-range peace controls in Japan.

Meanwhile, outline of a swift policy for occupation of Japan was laid down for Gen. MacArthur on Aug. 29, even before the formal surrender, the White House disclosed.

A document released by the White House calls for sweeping changes in Japan's economic, political and social systems—changes which include the dissolution of the great family monopolies which dominate Japan's trade and industry.

The policy declaration was prepared by the State, War and Navy departments and approved by the President. It makes no mention of the number of troops to be used in accomplishing its stated goals.

The declaration instructs MacArthur "to use the existing form of government in Japan, not to support it" and adds this policy "does not commit the Supreme Commander to support the Emperor or any other Japanese governmental authority. . . ."

American occupation forces are directed to favor changes in Japanese government "initiated by the Japanese people or government in

Flash-World Didn't End Last Friday

PASADENA (ANS)—Everything was quiet outside the home of Rev. Charles G. Long Friday as 17:33 A.M.—the hour at which he said the world would dissolve in a cloud of shattered atoms—came and went.

There was no sign of life in the Spanish white stucco house as five reporters and four photographers kept vigil. Then a reporter rang the doorbell.

Someone inside pulled aside the curtains and said: "No news to-day. Goodby."

Navy Won't Give Up Any Bases Until Ordered

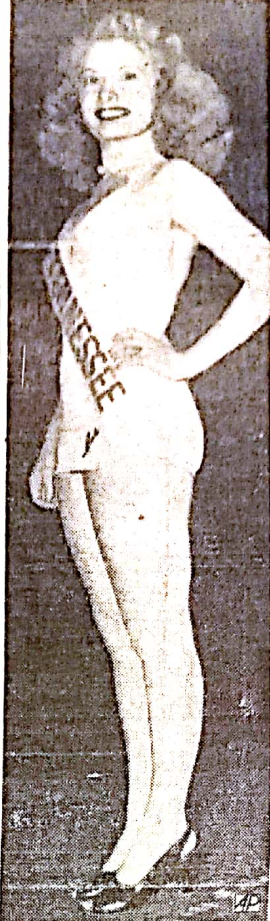
WASHINGTON (AP)—The US Navy has disclosed its intention not to give up any Pacific island bases until a final decision on their disposition is made.

The disclosure came from Adm. J. A. Horn, vice-chief of naval operations, in testimony before the House naval affairs committee.

Horn said the navy has orders not to abandon any bases, but to keep them at least in caretaker status until final determination of which islands the United States shall control permanently.

Horn submitted a list of bases drawn for "planning" purposes only, which the Navy expects to retain permanently or until final arrangements are made for control of the Pacific, Guam-Saipan area, Philippines and the Admiralties.

'Taint So



AN ARMY CHAPLAIN in CBI once said GIs don't like cheesecake and pin-ups. What do you say, Joe? She's Lee Harriet Henson of Chattanooga, recently chosen "Miss Tennessee."

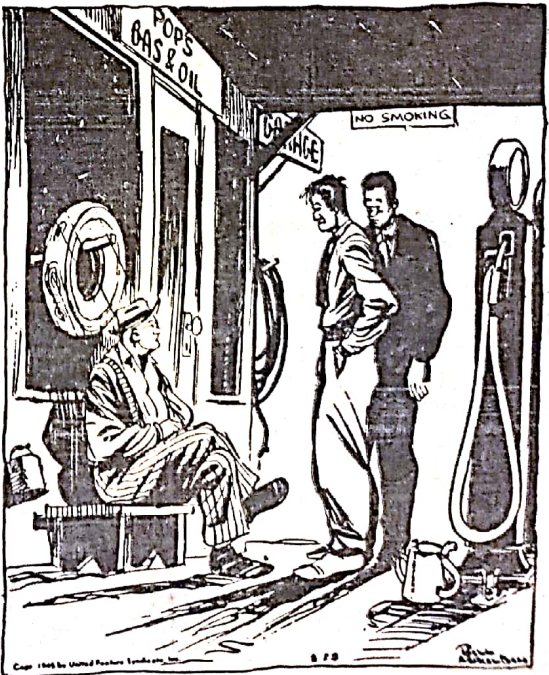
No American-German Weddings To Be OK'd

BERLIN (ANS)—US members of the Allied Control Council declared that there is no intention of allowing marriages among occupation forces and Germans or of billeting troops in German homes in the American zone.

American authorities made known the US position following the order of the Allied Control Council relaxing the non-fraternization restrictions to permit these privileges at the discretion of zone chiefs.

WILLIE and JOE

By Mauldin



"Glad to have you boys back to work, but I better warn ya—a lot of our customers is army officers. . . ."

G. I. SHAKESPEARE

In China . . .

Night And Day

I would like to have you say whether you think it is right for the Officer of the Day to do most of his work at night.

Stateside Labor Situation Critical

NEW YORK—More than 235,000 workers throughout the nation were idle today as labor disputes arising from demands for wage increases showed no signs of early settlement.

The situation was described as "critical" in Detroit, where 85,000 workers in the vast motor industry are out of work. A complete shut down of the Detroit transportation system threatened as a result of a strike among oil workers.

A new strike threat, one of the most serious in weeks, came from the lumber mills of the northwest Pacific, where a walkout involving 60,000 workers was called for Monday.

Another strike threat came from New York City, where the CIO Transport Workers' Union said a strike of 5,000 ground personnel of Pan American World Airways would be called unless 500 men were kept on their jobs at the Miami, Fla., base.

More than 21,000 oil workers, on strike in Texas, were urged by the CIO Oil Workers' Union to hold up further strike actions pending the outcome of a mediation conference called for Tuesday.

Gasoline was back on the scarcity list in some sections of the country, as a result of the oil strike.

BROADWAY, — and — HOLLYWOOD

Capt. Ronald Reagan, one of the "top drawer" Warner stars, will get his release any day. His first picture will be "Will Rogers." . . . Dorothy Lamour has brought a building near Los Angeles and is converting it into a restaurant. . . . 20th Century-Fox, the film company, is interested in doing the life of Kenesaw Mountain Landis, the late baseball czar. . . . Mischa Auer had a special steel and leather brace made for his broken leg so he could take a job in "Sentimental Journey."

Lana Turner's divorce finally came through, but she doesn't intend to remarry. . . . Miss Turner, friends say, plans to marry Turhan Bey, Oriental-eyed actor. . . . Joe E. Lewis, famed comic, says he was so fascinated with Gary Cooper's success in the Western "Along Came Jones," that he figures on doing one with Sinatra, "Along Came Bones." . . . There's a rumor making the Broadway rounds that Kay Kyser will retire. . . . Eleanor Parker again teams with John Garfield. This time in "Humoresque." . . . Gloria DeHaven, the star, is telling friends she'll retire after the birth of her baby and be just plain Mrs. John Payne.